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**From:** Maier, Brent  
**Sent:** Wed 1/27/2016 4:20:46 PM  
**Subject:** RE: List of U.S. EPA Participants for Call/Briefing on Anaconda Mine with Congressman Mark Amodei

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As a follow up to your request for a list of participants for the upcoming call with Congressman Amodei on **Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00pm ET (11:00am PT)**, here is a list of the EPA Region IX participants.

Jared Blumenfeld, Regional Administrator

Jessica Kao, Chief of Staff

Enrique Manzanilla, Superfund Division Director

Angeles Herrera, Associate Director, Superfund Division

David Seter, Remedial Project Manager, Superfund Division

**Please note that I will be out of the office on business travel and unable to join you for this call, however, our Regional Administrator's Executive Assistant, Abigail ("Abi") Gaudario, will use the call-in information you provided below for your office to get the call started. Should you have a need for any last minute updates for our office, please reach out to Abi at 415.947.4238 or via e-mail at [gaudario.abi@epa.gov](mailto:gaudario.abi@epa.gov)**

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Regards,

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**Sent:** Tuesday, January 26, 2016 1:53 PM

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**Cc:** Riederer, Jason <Jason.Riederer@mail.house.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Confirmation of Day & Time for U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine with Congressman Mark Amodei

Brent – would you mind sending over a list of everyone who will be calling in on your end?

Thank you,

Rachel

**From:** Maier, Brent [mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov]

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 26, 2016 4:14 PM

**To:** Provost, Rachel

**Cc:** Riederer, Jason

**Subject:** RE: Confirmation of Day & Time for U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine with Congressman Mark Amodei

Rachel –

Just a quick note to check on whether we are confirmed for a teleconference briefing with Congressman Amodei for **2:00pm ET (11:00am PT) on Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**. With the recent shutdown of the Federal government and the House being out of session this week due to the blizzard and recovery, I wanted to see whether the Congressman's availability might be impacted next week. Also, please let me know if you would like for me to set up a conference line for the teleconference, or if you would prefer to use a line that your office has. If that is the case, please share your office's conference line call-in information.

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**From:** Maier, Brent

**Sent:** Thursday, January 21, 2016 2:01 PM

**To:** 'Provost, Rachel' <[Rachel.Provost@mail.house.gov](mailto:Rachel.Provost@mail.house.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Regarding Times for U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine

Rachel –

Thanks for your message and please go ahead and schedule the teleconference briefing for **2:00pm ET (11:00am PT) on Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**. I will alert our Front Office and my Superfund Division colleagues who will join our Regional Administrator of the confirmed time.

Would you like for me to set up a conference line for this teleconference, or does your office have a line we can call into? Please let me know. Thanks.

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**Sent:** Thursday, January 21, 2016 1:56 PM

**To:** Maier, Brent <[Maier.Brent@epa.gov](mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Regarding Times for U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine

Brent – 2:00pm on 2/3 would work for Congressman Amodei.

**From:** Maier, Brent [<mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov>]

**Sent:** Thursday, January 21, 2016 4:22 PM

**To:** Provost, Rachel

**Subject:** Regarding Times for U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine

Rachel –

Our Regional Administrator Jared Blumenfeld is available for a teleconference call with Congressman Amodei on 10:30am PT (1:30pm ET) on 2/2 or 11:00am PT (2:00pm ET) on 2/3 if either of those times work on your end. I know you noted that you would be sending some revised times, and wanted to let you know about our Regional Administrator's availability on our end.

Regards,

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**Sent:** Thursday, January 21, 2016 9:43 AM

**To:** Maier, Brent <[Maier.Brent@epa.gov](mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Question Regarding Times for U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine

Hi Brent – those were Eastern Times. I will send over some that are later in the day in a few minutes.

**From:** Maier, Brent [<mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov>]

**Sent:** Thursday, January 21, 2016 12:40 PM

**To:** Provost, Rachel

**Subject:** RE: Question Regarding Times for U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine

Rachel –

**Are the times you sent Eastern Time or Pacific Time here in San Francisco?** I will be checking with our Regional Administrator's Executive Assistant to see if he is available to participate along with the Congressman, but wanted to make sure of the time difference. Thanks.

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**To:** Maier, Brent <[Maier.Brent@epa.gov](mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov)>; Riederer, Jason <[Jason.Riederer@mail.house.gov](mailto:Jason.Riederer@mail.house.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Question Regarding U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine

Hi Brent – Do you have any availability for this meeting at the following times:

February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10:30am

February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 11:00am, 11:30am, 12:00pm

**From:** Maier, Brent [<mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 20, 2016 2:44 PM  
**To:** Riederer, Jason  
**Cc:** Provost, Rachel  
**Subject:** RE: Question Regarding U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine

Jason –

Thanks for your follow up message. I have reached out to my Superfund Division colleagues on the status of responses to the questions you sent and was told that they have drafted responses to I believe all the questions, but are double-checking some of the information with their EPA HQ colleagues since some of the questions are national and not just regional in scope, but they do expect to hear back from them in the next day or so, so I am hopeful that we should be able to provide you responses by the end of the week.

Regards,

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**Sent:** Wednesday, January 20, 2016 6:27 AM  
**To:** Maier, Brent <[Maier.Brent@epa.gov](mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Provost, Rachel <[Rachel.Provost@mail.house.gov](mailto:Rachel.Provost@mail.house.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Question Regarding U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine

Brent,

Just following-up on Congressman Amodei's information request. Is it possible to receive these questions before the end of the week?

Thank you,  
Jason

**From:** Maier, Brent [<mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 13, 2016 4:44 PM  
**To:** Riederer, Jason  
**Cc:** Provost, Rachel  
**Subject:** RE: Question Regarding U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine

Jason –

Thanks for your message and the list of questions. I will share with my Superfund Division colleagues to work on providing answers to each of the questions and can work with Rachel on scheduling a date and time that works for Congressman Amodei.

Regards,

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**From:** Riederer, Jason [<mailto:Jason.Riederer@mail.house.gov>]  
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**Cc:** Provost, Rachel <[Rachel.Provost@mail.house.gov](mailto:Rachel.Provost@mail.house.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Question Regarding U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine

Hi Brent,

Thanks for following-up on this. The Congressman would like to schedule a conference call or in-person briefing before January 27<sup>th</sup> (our last session day of the month), to discuss the Anaconda mine site. Rachel is copied and can work with you on scheduling a date and time. But Congressman Amodei has a list of 11 specific questions he wanted to have answered beforehand (within the next week if possible).

- 1) What has been the appropriations source for the Superfund program within the last 10 years? Does the program require an annual appropriation and does it require an annual or multi-year reauthorization?
- 2) How many clean-up projects (sites on the NPL) have been funded within the past 10 years?
- 3) How many sites are currently in the queue to be cleaned-up? How many of these are still awaiting funding?
- 4) What is the reasoning for moving so quickly to add the Anaconda mine site to the NPL now?
- 5) How are sites ranked/compared to determine which ones the EPA proposes to add to the NPL?
- 6) If the Anaconda mine site is added to the NPL, do we expect to receive a dedicated funding source to begin clean-up immediately?
- 7) What groundwater monitoring has been conducted at the site by EPA within the last 8 years, and when? Does the EPA believe it has enough data on the groundwater? Has this data provided a clear result which led to this proposed action?

- 8) How many EPA project managers have overseen the site in the past 8 years? Is this number larger or smaller than compared to other proposed sites?
- 9) Has the EPA incentivized BP or Arco to conduct any clean-up activities on their own, or in conjunction with the EPA?
- 10) Why are parcels owned by Arimetco separate from the rest of the site?
- 11) If the site is added to the NPL, does the Walker River Paiute Tribe or any other nearby stakeholders receive any sort of compensation?

Thank you for addressing each one of these, and please call if you have any questions. Also, the Congressman expressed interest in visiting again in San Francisco within the next few months so we'll coordinate in the future on possibly getting that additional meeting setup as well. Thanks again, Brent, and we look forward to discussing soon.

Jason

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**From:** Maier, Brent [<mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 13, 2016 1:59 PM

**To:** Riederer, Jason

**Cc:** Provost, Rachel

**Subject:** RE: Question Regarding U.S. EPA Briefing on Anaconda Mine

Jason –

Just a quick note to follow up on our offer for a briefing on Anaconda Mine. I have set up a call to brief Sen. Dean Heller's staff on the Eureka Smelter and Anaconda Mine for next Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> and noticed that you had accepted the invite. I may have added you to that calendar invite, and you are certainly welcome to participate, but realize that we were going to try and set up something that worked for Congressman Amodei's schedule so he could join the briefing. Please let me know whether you and/or Rachel were looking at any other times that would work for Congressman Amodei, or were you expecting the Congressman to join us for the Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> briefing we are doing for Sen. Heller's staff. My apologies if I mistakenly added you to my briefing offer to Sen. Heller's office.

We would be happy to set up a separate briefing on Anaconda with Congressman Amodei since you were already briefing on Eureka Smelter and we would be covering some of the same information on next Tuesday's call. Please let me know.

I am attaching the materials we would be using in our briefing on Anaconda for your reference.

Regards,

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**Cc:** Provost, Rachel <[Rachel.Provost@mail.house.gov](mailto:Rachel.Provost@mail.house.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Anaconda Mine

Hi Brent,

The Congressman and I spoke briefing about the letter this morning. I know he'll want to be included in any upcoming briefing on the issue. Perhaps Rachel and I can be in touch when we have a better understanding on what this week's vote times will be. Is it possible to setup a meeting/conference call perhaps later in the week, or next week?

Thanks,

Jason

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**From:** Maier, Brent [<mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 04, 2016 1:30 PM  
**To:** Riederer, Jason  
**Subject:** RE: Anaconda Mine

Jason –

Hope you had a great New Years. I wanted to check in to see if you might have some availability on Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup> for a call with my Superfund Division colleagues to discuss with you our letter to Governor Sandoval proposing to add the Anaconda Copper Mine site to the NPL. If you have some time on that date, please let me know and I can check on my colleagues' availability and confirm with you.

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**To:** 'Riederer, Jason' <[Jason.Riederer@mail.house.gov](mailto:Jason.Riederer@mail.house.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Anaconda Mine

Jason –

I am back after taking some time off and wanted to see what your availability would be for next Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup> for a call with my Superfund Division colleagues to discuss with you our letter to Governor Sandoval proposing to add the Anaconda Copper Mine site to the NPL. If you have some time on that date, please let me know and I can check on my colleagues' availability and confirm with you.

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**From:** Riederer, Jason [<mailto:Jason.Riederer@mail.house.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 21, 2015 10:22 AM  
**To:** Maier, Brent <[Maier.Brent@epa.gov](mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Anaconda Mine

Thanks Brent. Happy holidays and we'll reconnect in the New Year.

Jason

**From:** Maier, Brent [<mailto:Maier.Brent@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 21, 2015 1:21 PM  
**To:** Riederer, Jason  
**Subject:** RE: Anaconda Mine

Jason –

Thank you for your message and I have forwarded your interest for an update on Anaconda to my Superfund Division colleagues. I am out of the office on annual leave until Tuesday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, and let them know that if they wish to reach out to you before my return to the office, they can do so, or I can follow up with you on Tuesday, December 29<sup>th</sup> to set up a call when I return to the office. Thanks.

Regards,

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**Subject:** Anaconda Mine

Hi Brent,

Thanks again for holding the conference call yesterday on Eureka. Very informative and I appreciate the update. I was hoping I could also schedule an update with you sometime between now and mid-January to receive an update on the EPA's efforts in Yerington with the Anaconda mine. I know it's a priority for the Governor's office, the community, and other business interests there so we just wanted to learn more about how that effort is progressing.

Thank you again and happy holidays,

Jason

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